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SUBJECT: COTONOU/GAO GRAIN LIFELINE

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1. BELIEVE LAST YEAR'S SUCCESSFUL EFFORT PROVED CONCLUSIVELY THAT COTONOU/GAO ROUTE IS CHEAPEST AND MOST EFFICIENT METHOD OF RESUPPLYING GAO.

2. MORE IMPORTANTLY, SHIPMENT GRAIN TO COTONOU FOR TRANS-SHIPMENT TO GAO WILL AVOID COSTLY AIRLIFT (\$2 MILLION IN 1974 AND \$3 MILLION IN 1973) AND THEREFORE IMPERATIVE THAT PRIORITY EFFORT BE REPEATED THIS YEAR IN SPITE OF PROBLEMS INVOLVED.

3. BECAUSE OF BORDER DISPUTE, TRANS-SHIPMENT OF GRAIN THROUGH UPPER VOLTA IMPOSSIBLE AND SITUATION WILL REMAIN SO INDEFINITELY.

4. THERE IS POSSIBILITY THAT FULL 10,300 MT NOT REQUIRED VIA COTONOU. MATTER NOW UNDER DISCUSSION WITHIN AID. TRUST THAT LESSENED
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